Beckham

Beckham, May 21.- Mr. and Mrs. Claude Martin announce the birth of a son, Louis Elvin, May 13th.

Mrs. J. I. Moore recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman R. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Burge, of Hopewell are spending several days with her mother, Mrs. C. A. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Moore and family. Others visiting in this home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Martin and Bentley, Miss Betty Childress, Mr. Howard Phelps, Miss Mary Ann Wheeler, Mrs. R. S. Wheeler, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Drinkard and son, Michael, of Hopewell.

Mrs. T. M. Martin, Miss Eunice Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. Howlette Drinkard visited Mrs. Alice Grow, who is now with her sister, Miss Edna Megginson in Vera.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Durden, of Clifton Forge were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Martin Jr., Faye and Janet; Mr. and Mrs. Winston Martin and Gloria, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Ronnie and Carolyn Jo, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jutson Morris and Glenn in Appomattox.

Mrs. Winston Martin and Gloria and Mrs. Howard Moore and Linda went to Dixie Caverns on Saturday for a school picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Martin and Jayne Sunday afternoon. Mr. Martin is recovering from a recent illness.

We have had a nice rain over the week-end. Many around here are planting tobacco.

Mrs. Garland Crews, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Crews and family, and Wallace Burge recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Ward Crews and family.

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Stonewall

Stonewall, May 21.- We are so thankful for the nice rains we have had. Everything looks so green and pretty.

Mrs. Bettie Wheeler and son, Brad, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler.

Mrs. Elsie Caldwell is visiting her son, Jack and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cabell Miller and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Caldwell over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Matthews III, of Orange, spent the week-end with her father, Mr. J. O. David son and other home folks.

Miss Martha Carson, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Carson.

Mr. Billy Carson, of V. P. I. spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carson.

Mrs. Herbert Matthews, Jr., and Miss Jo Matthews, of Orange spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Alvis.

The W. M. S. of Hebron Baptist Church will meet in the home of Mrs. Kern Mays tonight at 8:00 o'clock. She is president of the society and we hope for a large attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick were visitors in Amherst on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Moore were visitors in Campbell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Tanner and son, Steve visited her mother in Lynchburg over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Braford and children spent last week-end with his parents at Natural Bridge.

Martin Section One 4-H Club

The 4-H Club met on May 14, at 9:40 A. M. The meeting was called to order by the president, and was turned over to 4-H county agents. Mr. Jim Smith talked about the County Council to be held June 11, at 9:30 A. M. at the court house. The officers are to be present to select our project for next term. This was the last meeting until the next term in September.

—Reporter: Shirley Martin.

Home Agent's Notes

By Mrs. B. G. Anderson
Home Demonstration Agent

Tips For Cake Bakers

Before you start making a cake, check pan sizes and supplies needed. Good tools are essential for a good job. Use pliable spatulas to spread frosting; a short (4-inch) blade is best for sides of cake. You can make your own decorating bag from heavy waxed or parchment paper, but for inexperienced cake makers, the job will be easier with a cake decorating set.

Make certain you have freezer space or other proper storage if you bake a cake a day ahead. You can give it a thin glaze the day before you frost and decorate it to save time.

Frosting Facts

Sift confectioners sugar before using it. Tiny lumps clog decorating tubes and keep them from making clear-cut designs.

Uncolored margarine may be used for butter to give a pure white frosting. Apply thin glaze to cakes before frosting to anchor crumbs. Make glaze by adding hot water to some of the frosting, about 1 tablespoon to 1 cup frosting.

To tint frostings, mix about 1-4 teaspoon of food coloring with 1 tablespoon frosting. Add small amounts of this color base to your frosting. Tint enough frosting for whole cake, as it's difficult to match colors with another batch.

Frosting used in decorator tube should be a little thicker or heavier than that for spreading with spatula. Just add a little sifted confectioners sugar.

Practice your designs first on a piece of waxed paper, cookie sheet or backs of pans.

Hints For Homemakers

When baking a ham, slit the rind lengthwise on the underside before placing it in the roasting pan. As the ham bakes, the rind will pull away and can be removed easily without lifting the ham.

Before hanging blankets to dry, cover the clothesline with cardboard tubes to eliminate a clothesline mark on blanket. Save tubes from paper towels or waxed paper. Just slit the rolls down one side and slip over the line.

To change the water in your flower bowls or vases without disturbing the arrangement, use your meat baster.

When you paint a picture frame, tack a thin strip of wood across the back. The strip becomes a handhold when you paint.

A plastic squeeze bottle is an ideal container for a mixture of vinegar and salt used to clean copperware. The bottles are handy to keep by the sink.

QUAKE FIXES LIGHT

Falmouth, Me.- After working for fifteen minutes to get a bedroom light working, Mrs. Herbert E. Jenkins gave up. The bulb was damaged, shaking cartridge, four New Eng and the light

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Rocks

Rocks, May 20.- We had a wonderful rain over the week-end, and were so thankful for it.

Misses Judy Cox and Lizabeth Ann Paulette, of Madison Heights and Miss Barbara Kay Staples, of Evergreen spent a week-end recently with Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Paulette, of near Evergreen.

Mrs. D. R. Inge had charge of the prayer service on Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Aimond announce the birth of a son, B. T. Jr., born May 16 at a hospital in Lynchburg.

Pvt. Joe Almond, who has been stationed at Fort Jackson in South Carolina, spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Jennie Almond. He will now be stationed at a camp in California for 8 week's training.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. McGhee, of Norfolk, spent the week-end here with Mrs. D. R. Inge and Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge.

Sgt. and Mrs. Thurman Wilcox and Anita, of Falls Church, spent a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Marks.

Audrey Dale Inge spent Sunday with Katherine Ranson.

Congratuiations to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shelton, who were recently married.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dinkins and Marjorie Ellen, of Crewe, passed through here Sunday on their way to Lynchburg.

Mrs. John Williams and Mrs. Sayler, of Cullen attended Sunday School and preaching service here Sunday.

A CLEAN SWEEP

Moundsville, W. Va.- Working out a $20 fine for drunkenness, Harry Hall, of Spencer, was assigned the task of sweeping city streets. He made a clean sweep of his job — right out of town—and neither Hall nor the broom have been seen since.

Pamplin

May 20.- The Pamplin Order of Eastern Star, Masonic Hall Friday ... of business was initi- ... report from the Grand ... the Worthy Matron.

...itors in the home of ... J. H. Anderson were ... Earl Ferrell and chil- ... and Tonya, of Durham.

... Ligon and Mr. and ... Dudley and little Bill ... guests of Mr. and ... Ligon, of Winchester.

... T. Terry was called to ... J. last week, due to ... her brother, Mr. George

...ple Wingfield, of Tennes- ...ee Edith Trowler, of Nor- ... week-end visitors of re-

...who visited Mr. and Mrs. ...pton last week-end were ... Holley, of Callands; Mr. ... Billy Bates, of Danville; ...rs. J. C. Holley, of Chat- ... Mrs. Leonard Tuck, of

...ar Price is spending this ... relatives in Richmond.

...lina Spence, of Keysville ...eek-end visitor in the ...er son-in-law and daugh- ...and Mrs. S. G. Mann.

...d Mrs. Frank Gilliam and ...visited his mother, Mrs. C. ...h, of Lynchburg on last

...Baldwin, Jr., Tommy ...d R. E. McClenny, Jr., of ...among the weekend at their ...ne.

...Davis was a week-end ... the home of his son-in- ...aughter, Mr. and Mrs. Har- ... of Farmville.

...visitors in the home of ... Mrs. R. W. Richardson ...and Mrs. G. M. Fore and ...Mrs. Hardman, of Peters-

...Mrs. Junius David visit- ...her, Mr. B. F. Hopkins, ...s News Sunday.

...W. Richardson and Mrs. ...e spent Tuesday in Lynch-

...P. Davis visited relatives ...lls and Worsham Friday.

...Kate Franklin spent the ...with her brother and sis- ...Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Frank- ...Richmond.

ist Grove

...are glad to see Mrs. ...w getting on so well. She ...d some time in the home ...daughter.

...B. Beale returned to her ...burg Saturday, after ...last week with her sis- ...Lula Beale. Others visit- ...in house were Mrs. Joe ...n and daughter, Josie; ...s Meggerson, Miss Edna ...Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Gar- ...Wilson Scruggs, and ...Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Clar- ...and Audrey, and James

...Mrs. Walker Beale and ...ly Fowler spent Sunday ...Phipps.

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Richwood

Richwood, May 21.- "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

—Proverb.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L Watts, of Washington have been spending a few days at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge and Mrs. G. P. Brannan and daughters, Val and Georgie Belle, were the guests Thursday afternoon of Mrs. L. M. Ferguson and daughter, Judy, in Lynchburg.

G. P. Brannan and daughter, Georgie Belle were in Lynchburg on business Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ferguson and daughter, Judy, of Lynchburg and Mrs. G. P. Brannan and daughters were the dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge.

J. A. Blazer has been spending some time with his family here.

MANY-FOLD BENEFITS OF AIR-CONDITIONING

The residential air conditioning industry got its start only as recently as 1946, but in the ten years it has multiplied sales more than forty times over.

One of the fantastic acceptance of room air conditioning units, according to George S. Jones, Jr., managing director of the Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute of America, is that as America's living standard goes up its health and comfort demands rise with it.

"Air conditioning in the home is no longer a luxury," Jones says. "It is a health protection. It protects from dust and pollen and soot and odors. Furthermore, it reduces the cleaning of furniture and fixtures and of clothing."

Jones' explanation is backed up by medical science. Dr. Orren D. Chapman, professor of Bacteriology at the New York State University of Medicine at Syracuse, N. Y., has conducted experiments proving that present-day room air conditioners are a major ally of the nearly 11,000,000 Americans who suffer from hay-fever sneezing and other pollen-caused afflictions.

Dr. Chapman's findings showed that air conditioning reduced the pollen count in a test room by ninety-eight per cent over the outdoors at the height of the weed pollen season, despite the fact that the doors into the room were opened frequently — in the neighborhood of twenty to thirty times a day.

Another favored advantage of room air conditioners is the steadier temperature control. Heart specialists say that a room temperature maintained between seventy and seventy-four degrees protects general health and prolongs human life.

From the standpoint of cleanliness and efficiency the room air conditioner is revolutionizing decor in the American home. Decorators point out that greater use of pastel shades and light colored fabrics can be used without becoming soiled in air conditioned rooms. Even the old theory that rooms with southern exposure need cool colors and those facing the north require warm colors can be forgotten.

Need for cleaning drapes and furnishings is materially reduced. Because of humidity control, housewives need no longer worry about marks left by damp sweaty hands in humid weather.

The room air conditioner guarantees better rest and comfortable relaxation at home. Air conditioning has become a factor of major importance for the night - shift worker who needs to sleep during the day unbothered by heat or outside noises.

Air conditioning also shows signs of changing family living patterns back to the days before the automobile took Americans out of their homes. With comfort in their own living rooms, the family circle tends to stay home together, enjoying each other's company.

Manufacturers report that many customers have more than one unit in their homes. Estimates of how many people own more than one unit vary, but a recent study by one manufacturer showed that for every 100 customers thirty-eight had multi-unit installations.

Engineering work continues to improve the air conditioning all the time. Some of the newly developed units have greater capacity while drawing less current. Noise practically has been eliminated.

Farmers are using air conditioning in greenhouses to maintain temperatures and bring seeds to early germination for planting outdoors.

In the foreseeable future Americans in such differing climatic areas as New Mexico and Maine will be living in identical year-round temperatures.

One industry spokesman described the future recently in these terms: "Man will wake up in an air-conditioned bedroom, eat breakfast in an air-conditioned breakfast nook, drive in an air-conditioned car to work in an air conditioned manufacturing plant or office building, return for dinner in an air-conditioned dining room, relax in an air conditioned movie or sit in an air conditioned living room watching a color television program originating from an air conditioned studio. He will simply set a thermostat and forget both heat and cold. The energy once thrown away in the battle with environment will be turned to more useful pursuits."

County Line

County Line, May 22.- A wonderful rain fell here Saturday night.

The Sunshine Class will meet in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Clark Friday night, May 24.

Mrs. Booker Jones is having a demonstration party Saturday night, May 25.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Doug Doss a girl, May 4.

Barbara Tucker spent Sunday P. M. with Frances Jones.

Pat Jones spent Sunday P. M. with Judy Cocks.

Some people in this section are busy planting tobacco.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Paulette Saturday P. M.

Mr. Mell Jones is reported to be getting on well at this time.

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Spout Spring

Spout Spring, May 22.- Mrs. Georgia Schindler recently spent several days in Roanoke in the home of her son-in-law and daughter.

Mrs. Mittie Wooldridge, of Lynchburg spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson.

Mr. A. C. Almond was a patient in Memorial Hospital for a few days last week. He returned home Friday much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Martin Sunday.

FARM FIRE LOSS REACHED $145 MILLION IN 1956

Fire cost the nation's farmers an estimated $145 million in 1956 —somewhat under the all-time high of the year before, but equaled by only two other years in farm-fire annals. The U. S. Department of Agriculture reported that last year's fire toll on farms was the same as for 1951 and 1952, making it a three-way tie for the second highest loss year on record.

Almost a billion and a half dollars worth of farm property has gone up in flames in the past ten years.

But this dollar figure represents only a portion of the total economic loss. It does not include loss of potential income due to deaths and injuries caused by fire nor does it include such losses as medical expenses or production delays. Farm fires each year take the lives of some 3,500 rural residents and injure another 300,000.

In Virginia's rural areas last year 114 people died in fires and explosions.

Farm fire loss during the past decade reached its peak in 1955, when it rose to $148 million. The lowest loss figure during the period was $125 million in 1947. As late as 1940, annual fire loss was as low as $61 million.

The figures represent fire and lightning losses on buildings, implements and machinery, livestock, crops, and household goods.

Fires on farms are due to seven principal causes — most of them preventable. They are: faulty flues and heaters, combustible roofs, spontaneous combustion, matches and smoking, defective electrical wiring, gasoline and kerosene, and lightning.

City Council of Richmond orders heavy cut in city budget, and no tax increases.

Senator Byrd takes issue with Eisenhower on Federal spending.

County school officials are seeking replacement for A. H. S. principal and county school supervisor for next year, due to resignations.

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GIFT FOR COLLEGE

Staunton, Va.- A gift of nearly $9,800 made up of offerings from 166 churches in the Presbyterian Synod of Virginia has been received here by Mary Baldwin College, it was announced by acting president, Dr. Richard R. Potter.

This is the first portion to be received by the four-year liberal arts college for women following a Synod wide effort in 477 churches in January for the cause of Christian higher education.

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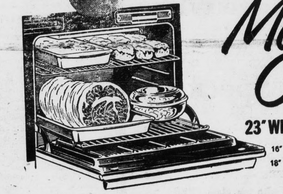
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